

Texas Department of State Health Services

Texas Vaccine Providers Webinar

Tuesday, April 19th, 2022

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The information presented today is based on CDC's recent guidance and MAY change.

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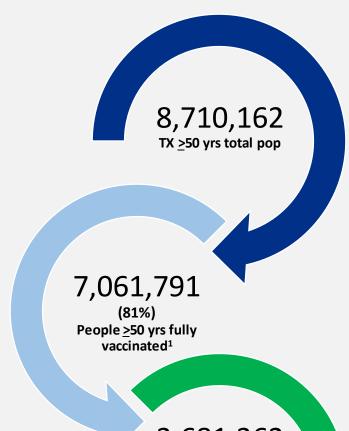
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Opening Remarks

Tony Aragon, MS

Director | Immunization Section

Individuals >50 yrs Eligible for 2nd Booster By Month (All Vaccines)



- Fully Vaccinated includes second doses of Moderna and Pfizer and single doses of Janssen.
- 2. First Booster doses includes all additional/booster doses administered on or after 8/13/21.
- 3. Second booster dose projected for 4 months post first booster dose by month.

3,681,362
(45% total pop)
People ≥50 yrs received first booster dose² and eligible for a Second booster by July 22

Individuals <u>></u> 50 yrs Eligible for 2nd Booster By Month (All Vaccines) ³	Total
22-Apr	3,081,409
22-May	410,329
22-Jun	118,731
22-Jul	70,893

COVID-19 Vaccine Recruitment

Garrett Cottom, BS

Director | COVID-19 Program – Immunization Section

COVID-19 Vaccine Provider

Recruitment Webinar

Initiative: To recruit TVFC Providers to enroll in the COVID-19 Program

Target Audience: Any provider that provides care to children, especially 6mo through 4 years.

When: April 20th, 2022, from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. (CST)

Please use the link below to register for this event:

https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/961286945737258511

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinical Guidance

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COVID-19 Vaccine: Storage And Handling

CDC COVID-19 Vaccine Storage & Handling Training

All staff members who receive vaccine deliveries as well as those who handle or administer vaccines should be trained in vaccine storage and handling <u>SOPs</u>.

Storage and handling training should be completed:

- As part of new employee orientation
- Annually as a refresher for all staff involved in immunization and vaccine storage and handling activities
- Whenever new vaccines are added to inventory
- Whenever recommendations for storage and handling of vaccines are updated

 $\underline{https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/storage/toolkit/storage-handling-toolkit.pdf}$

https://www2a.cdc.gov/nip/isd/vcts/mod1/courses/sh/ce.asp

SECTION TWO: Staff and Training

Vaccine storage and handling practices are only as effective as the staff that implements them. Staff that is well-trained in general storage and handling principles and organization-specific storage and handling standard operating procedures (SOPs) is critical to ensuring vaccine supply potency and patient safety.

Staff Training

All staff members who receive vaccine deliveries as well as those who handle or administer vaccines should be trained in vaccine-related practices and be familiar with your facility's storage and handling SOPs. If you are a VFC provider or have vaccines purchased with public funds, contact your immunization program* for specific state requirements related to training, policies, and procedures.

Helpful Tip!

Online Training Resources

CDC's <u>You Call the Shots: Vaccine Storage and Handling</u>[†] is a free, online training module focused on storage and handling requirements.

Check with your <u>immunization program</u> and professional organizations to see what vaccine storage and handling training resources they offer.

Storage and Handling SOPs

CDC recommends your facility develop and maintain clearly written, detailed, and up-to-date storage and handling standard operating procedures (SOPs). SOPs will help your facility stay organized, serve as a reference and training tool, and ensure proper vaccine management. SOPs help ensure proper procedures are followed and problems are identified, reported, and corrected. SOPs should also provide guidance for emergencies such as equipment malfunctions, power failures, or natural disasters.

Storage and handling plans and SOPs should contain plans and information for three major areas (see the <u>Vaccine</u> <u>Storage and Handling SOP Worksheet</u>):

- General information—include contact information for vaccine manufacturers, equipment service providers, and important facility staff, as well as job descriptions, regularly used forms, and staff training requirements
- Routine storage and handling SOPs—include information for all aspects of vaccine inventory management, from ordering to monitoring storage conditions
- Emergency vaccine storage, handling, and transport SOPs—outline steps to be taken in the event of equipment
 malfunctions, power failures, natural disasters, or other emergencies that might compromise vaccine storage
 conditions

Worksheets to assist you in developing your organization's routine and emergency SOPs are located in the resources section.

- Train staff on routine vaccine storage and handling and emergency SOPs. Keep SOPs near vaccine storage units and make sure staff knows where to find them. Document all training completed with dates and participant names.
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^{*}Immunization programs: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/awardee-imz-websites.html

[†] You Call the Shots: Vaccine Storage and Handling: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.html

CDC COVID-19 Vaccine Storage Units

The CDC and DSHS Immunization Section recommends the following types of units, listed in preferential order:

- Pharmaceutical/purpose-built units
- Stand-alone, single-purpose refrigerator and stand-alone single purpose freezer
- Combination household unit
 - In the event a combination household unit is used, the site should only use the refrigerator section and obtain a separate stand-alone freezer. Refrigerated vaccine is to be stored in the refrigerator component of the combination unit and frozen vaccine will be stored in the stand-alone freezer.
- Dorm-style and small combination refrigerator and freezer units with a single external door are never allowed for the storage of the COVID-19 vaccine.



Dormitory-style (or bar-style) units pose a significant risk of freezing vaccine even when used for temporary storage.

Dormitory-style (or bar-style) combined refrigerator/freezer units should NOT be used for any storage of any vaccine.

CDC COVID-19 Vaccine Storage Unit Recommendations

An alarm system and back-up generator are recommended to help reduce vaccine loss when unexpected temperature fluctuations occur.

Refrigerators and freezers storing vaccines must be plugged directly into a wall outlet with a plug guard installed to prevent accidental or intentional unplugging.

Units containing COVID-19 vaccine must **not** be plugged into a multistrip power outlet, surge protector, or an extension cord. In addition, units must not be plugged into an outlet that is controlled by a wall switch, or GFI outlets.

COVID-19: When Is It Safe To Get Vaccinated?

When Is It Safe To Get Vaccinated?

Individuals who are not up to date with their COVID-19 Vaccines and/or unvaccinated individuals who were exposed to the COVID-19 infection should **not seek vaccination until quarantine has ended.** This is to reduce the risk of transmission to others (e.g., healthcare personnel, other clinic patients), because vaccination is not expected to prevent COVID-19 infection that could occur after the exposure for which the person is in quarantine.

Note: Vaccination may not prevent COVID-19 infection until 2 weeks after the primary series is completed.

COVID-19 Vaccine Product Ordering Updates

Oscar Paz

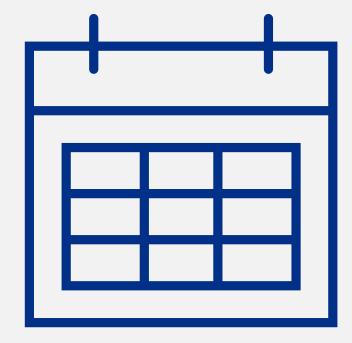
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Janssen/J&J and Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine: Checking Your Expiration Dates

Janssen/J&J COVID-19 Vaccine Expiration Date Extension

The FDA has authorized the extension of the expiration date of the Johnson & Johnson (J&J) COVID-19 vaccine from **nine months to eleven months** for refrigerated vials.

This shelf-life expiration extension applies to all lots of unpunctured vaccine vials that have been stored under refrigerated temperatures in accordance with the manufacturer's storage conditions. The fact sheet for the vaccine can be found here.



Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine Expiration Date Extension

The FDA has authorized the extension of the expiration date of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine from **nine months to twelve months** for both gray cap and orange cap vials.

This shelf-life expiration extension applies to all vials that have been stored under ultra-low temperatures (-90 to -60 C) and in accordance with the manufacturer's storage conditions. The fact sheet for the Pfizer Gray Cap and Pfizer Orange Cap have been linked for reference.

Printed	12-Month Expiry
Manufacturing Date	Date
06/21	31-May-2022
07/21	30-Jun-2022
08/21	31-Jul-2022
09/21	31-Aug-2022
10/21	30-Sep-2022
11/21	31-Oct-2022
12/21	30-Nov-2022
01/22	31-Dec-2022
02/22	31-Jan-2023

https://www.fda.gov/media/153715/download https://www.fda.gov/media/153714/download

Verify COVID-19 Vaccine Expiration Dates

Providers should regularly check inventory for expired vaccine and immediately remove expired inventory. If you are not sure, quarantine your vaccine to ensure that it has been verified.

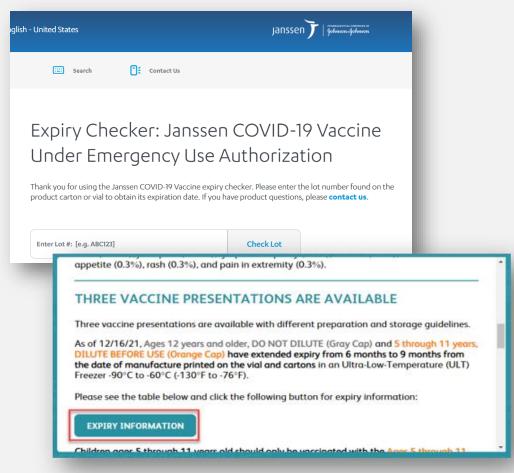


Expired vaccines should be reported as waste only after expiration has been confirmed by the <u>manufacturer</u>.

To obtain the current expiration status of your COVID-19 vaccines, please utilize the appropriate manufacturer Vaccine Expiration Date Lookup Tool as expiration reports in VAOS may not reflect current expiration.

J&J Expiration Date Lookup Tool

Expiry Information for Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccines



https://vaxcheck.jnj/

https://www.cvdvaccine-us.com/images/pdf/Expiry%20Document_December%202021.pdf

Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine Ancillary Kit (1:1)

Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine Ancillary Kit Update

1:1 Ratio

Moderna COVID-19 vaccine shipments will now come with *one ancillary kit* (1 ancillary kit to 1 carton of vaccine, instead of 2 ancillary kits to 1 carton of vaccine).

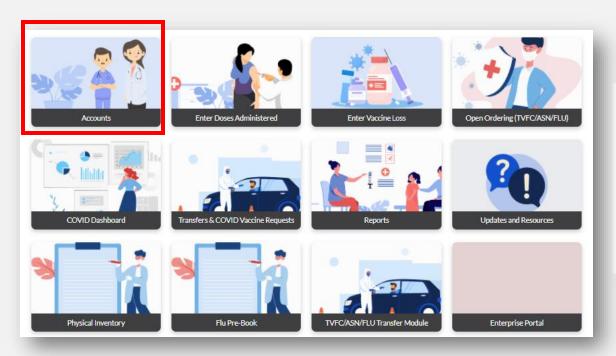
This change will take effect with orders placed beginning on Monday, April 11, 2022, at 10 am ET.

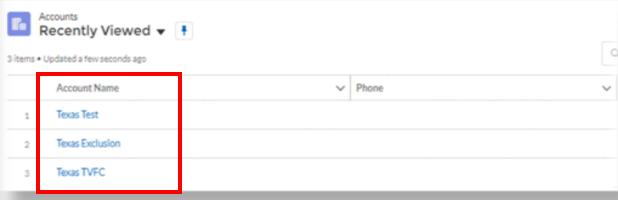
If you have any questions, please call (833) 832-7068 (Option 2) or email COVID19VacShipments@dshs.Texas.gov.

Finding Your Provider Pin & Creating a COVID-19 Vaccine Transfer Request

Know Your Provider Pin

- 1. Log into VAOS at https://texasvaccines.dshs.texas.gov/ and navigate to the Accounts tab.
- 2. Select your **Account name.**



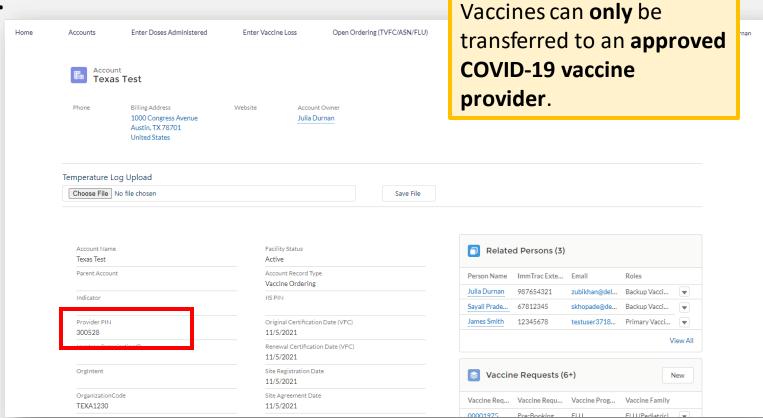


Know Your Provider Pin

3. View your **Provider Pin.**

4. You will also need the pin of the Receiving Provider to complete a transfer

request.



Create a COVID-19 Vaccine Transfer Request

If you would like to learn more about how to request a Vaccine Transfer, please utilize the <u>Vaccine Transfers in VAOS</u> guide in the <u>COVID-19 VAOS Job Aid Catalog</u>.

Vaccine Allocation & Order System (VAOS) – Learning Resources

COVID-19 Vaccine Job Aids

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COVID-19 Therapeutics Job Aids

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 Therapeutics Job Aid
 (9/24/2021)
- Therapeutics Enrollment Guide (11/10/2021)

VAOS E-Learnings

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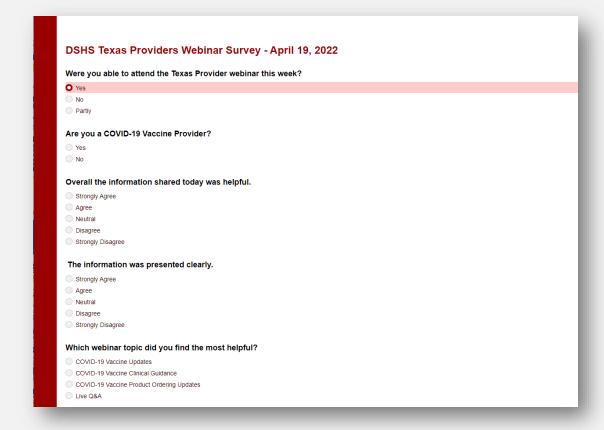
Live Q&A



Texas Vaccine Providers Webinar Survey

We want to hear from you in our Texas Vaccine Providers **Webinar Survey**! This quick survey helps us create content that is relevant and helpful for our Texas providers week over week.

Please complete our <u>post webinar</u> <u>survey</u> for the <u>4/19 Texas Vaccine</u> <u>Providers Webinar</u> by Thursday, 4/21 at 5:00pm CT.



Resources

COVID-19 Vaccine Product Availability

When you enter the "doses requested," remember that each COVID-19 vaccine type ships in different pack sizes. Use the table below to determine how many doses to request:

Moderna		Pfizer Adult/Adolescent (12+ yrs)		Pfizer Pediatric (5 -11 yrs)		Janssen/J&J
<100 Doses	>100 Doses	<300 Doses	>300 Doses	<100 Doses	>100 Doses	>100 Doses
Place orders in multiples of 10 doses (1 vial) up to a maximum of 60 doses	Place orders in multiples of 100 doses	Place orders in multiples of 6 doses (1 vial) up to a maximum of 102 doses	Place orders in multiples of 300 doses	Place orders in multiples of 10 doses (1 vial) up to a maximum of 100 doses	Place orders in multiples of 100 doses	Place orders in multiples of 100 doses

Providers placing order requests for more than one COVID-19 vaccine presentation in VAOS will be required to place a separate order request for each COVID-19 vaccine presentation they wish to order.

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COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Support

Call the COVID-19 Provider Support Help Desk at 833-832-7068 Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. CT

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Provider Support Channel

Include in email:

COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Enrollment (Syntropi)

- How to become a COVID-19 Vaccine Provider
- In-progress applications
- Update Enrollment accounts, including population numbers, email addresses, or primary/backup coordinators

Provider Help Desk:

(833) 832-7068 (Option 1) or (877) 835-7750 or Email: COVID19VacEnroll@dshs.te xas.gov

HealthCare Providers/Professionals

https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/index.html

Current and new vaccine coordinator name and email address (if new coordinators requested)

COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Information and Safety Reporting

- COVID-19 vaccine safety & medical info
- Administration of vaccine
- Reporting adverse events to VAERS
- Questions/concerns for clinical vaccine considerations

COVID-19 Nurse Call Center:

(833) 832-7068 (Option 4) or Texas 2-1-1 (Option 6), 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday or Email: CoronaVirus@dshs.texas.go

General Immunization Questions:

COVIDvaccineQs@dshs.Texa s.gov

Vaccine Allocation & Ordering System (VAOS)

- Access to VAOS
- Question about completing a task or process in VAOS or dashboards
- Provider Webinars

Covid-19 Vaccine Management:

(833) 832-7068 (Option 2) or Email: COVID19VacMgmt@dsh s.Texas.gov

Provider name, org code, and primary and backup vaccine coordinator names and email addresses

Vaccine Distribution & Shipments

- Tracking shipments
- Orders
- Vaccine transfer
- Waste disposal
- Changing inventory in VAOS

Vaccine Shipments:

(833) 832-7068 (Option 2) or Email: COVID19VacShipments @dshs.Texas.gov

For questions about COVID-19 vaccine storage/handling, refer to the <u>manufacturer</u> resources.

Provider name, org code, and service request number or shipment number

Reporting for COVID-19 Vaccines

 Reporting to ImmTrac2 via online web application

ImmTrac2 team:

(833) 832-7068 (Option 3) or (800) 348-9158, *8 a.m.* to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday or Email: lmmTrac2@dshs.Texas.go V

ImmTracMU for Data Exchange: 800-348-9158 or Email: ImmTracMU@ds hs.texas.gov,

COVID-19 Vaccine Waste Guidance

Waste Disposal and Reporting Resources

While it is important to try to use every dose of vaccine possible, that should not be at the expense of missing an opportunity to vaccinate every eligible person when they are ready to get vaccinated.

Visit the DSHS COVID-19 Vaccine Disposal Guidelines for details on disposing waste:

https://dshs.texas.gov/immunize/c ovid19/COVID19-Vaccine-Disposal-Guidelines.pdf

COVID-19 VACCINE DISPOSAL GUIDELINES

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that COVID-19 vaccines should be treated as regulated medical waste in its disposal requirements from their <u>Identification</u>, <u>Disposal</u>, <u>and Reporting of COVID-19 Vaccine Wastage</u> notice. The CDC advises providers to waste COVID-19 vaccines in accordance with local regulations.

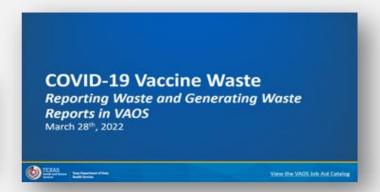
For guidance on reporting Moderna doses wasted, see the following guide:

https://www.dshs.texas.gov/immu nize/covid19/Moderna-Wastage-Table-Texas.pdf

> Moderna 10/14 COVID-19 Vaccine Wastage Guidance

For guidance on reporting waste in VAOS, see the following guide:

https://www.dshs.texas.gov/immu nize/covid19/Waste-in-VAOS.pdf



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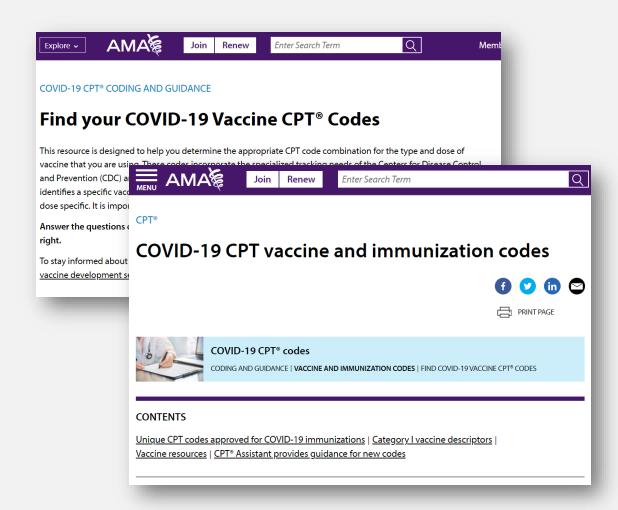
Billing Resources

Additional billing information, including CPT Administration and Product Codes for the anticipated Moderna 2.5 mL Booster Only Product, can be found at the following AMA resources.

AMA COVID-19 CPT Vaccine and Immunization Codes:

https://www.ama-assn.org/practice-management/cpt/covid-19-cpt-vaccine-and-immunization-codes

AMA Find your COVID-19 Vaccine CPT Codes: https://www.ama-assn.org/find-covid-19-vaccine-codes



COVID-19 VAOS Job Aids

In the <u>COVID-19 VAOS Job</u>
<u>Aid Catalog</u> you can find all the DSHS job aids you may need as a COVID-19 vaccine provider.

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COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheets

	Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine (Ages 5-11, Orange Cap)	Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine (Ages 12+, Purple Cap)	Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine (Ages 12+, Gray Cap)	Moderna/Spikevax™ COVID-19 Vaccine	Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine
Fact Sheet for Healthcare Providers	https://www.fda.gov/medi a/153714/download Revised:13 Apr 2022	https://www.fda.gov/media/153713/downloadRevised:29 Mar 2022	https://www.fda.gov/media/1 53715/download Revised:13Apr 2022	https://www.fda.gov/media/144637 /download Revised:31Jan 2022	https://www.fda.gov/media/146304/ download Revised:31Jan 2022
Vaccine Information Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers	https://www.fda.gov/medi a/153717/download Revised:03 Jan 2022	https://www.fda.gov/media/153716/downloadRevised:29 Mar 2022	https://www.fda.gov/media/1 53716/download Revised:29 Mar 2022	https://www.fda.gov/media/144638/download Revised: 29 Mar 2022	https://www.fda.gov/media/146305/ download Revised:31Jan 2022
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Other				Important Prescribing Information: https://www.fda.gov/media/153354 /download Spikevax package insert: https://www.fda.gov/media/155675 /download	

Vaccine Manufacturer Resources



Medical Information

Phone: 800-438-1985

Email:

<u>PfizerMedicalInformation@pfizer.com</u>

Website: <u>www.PfizerMedInfo.com</u>

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Medical Information

Phone: 866-663-3762

Email: MedInfo@modernatx.com

Temperature excursion related

questions:

Email: excursions@modernatx.com



Medical Information

Phone: 800-565-4008

Temperature excursion related questions:

Email:

JSCCOVIDTEMPEXCURSION@its.jnj.com

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